



# TOP 5 REASONS TO TEACH AG IN MINNESOTA!

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## 1. GRANTS, CURRICULUM & RESOURCES\*

The Minnesota Agricultural Education Leadership Council (MAELC) offers grants to support professional development, curriculum, and classroom resources for agriculture programs.



## 2. SUMMER CONTRACT FUNDING

Through legislative funding, the Minnesota Department of Education offers school districts a matching grant to support 50% of an agriculture teacher's summer extended contract (up to 40 days).



## 3. LOAN FORGIVENESS

Agriculture teachers qualify for two state loan forgiveness programs, with the potential to receive up to \$4,000/year for 5 years. Starting salaries for agriculture teachers are often higher than other content areas. 2019-2020 average salary for 1st year agriculture teacher - \$46,000



## 4. TEACHER INDUCTION PROGRAM\*

The Minnesota Teacher Induction Program (TIP) serves as a professional learning community for new agriculture teachers, supporting their development, efficacy, success & retention.



## 5. THE PEOPLE!

Minnesota has amazing organizations, individuals & agriculture teachers. We can't wait to welcome you to the family!



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*MAELC is a 16-member legislative council that provides leadership to promote and expand agricultural education in Minnesota. The state legislature, agricultural educators, and agriculture industry leaders are all represented on the council.*